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In re Application of Ralph F. Kalies Application No. 10/681,955 Filed: October 8, 2003 For: METHOD FOR PROCESSING AND ORGANIZING PHARMACY DATA

DECISION ACCORDING STATUS

UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)

This is a decision on the petition filed October 4, 2004, requesting reconsideration of a decision mailed July 30, 2004, which refused to accord 37 CFR 1.47(b) status to the aboveidentified application.

The petition is granted.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

Petitioner has demonstrated that the non-signing inventor refuses to sign the application. Specifically, petitioner established that the nonsigning inventor, Ralph F. Kalies, refuses to sign the declaration after being sent a copy of the above-identified application and declaration.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The second petition fee of \$130.00 submitted October 4, 2004 is unnecessary and will be credited to Deposit Account No. 20-0809, as authorized.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Wan Laymon at (571) 272-3220.

This matter is being referred to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for preexamination processing.

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Dear Mr. Kalies:

You are named as the sole inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 118 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(b), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as the sole inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Wan Laymon at (571)272-3220. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703)308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703)308-9726 or 1(800)972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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